FRIDAY, February 20th, 1874.

The Senate met.

Prayer by Rev. Father Oberley.

Present the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Blake, Brewer, Billingsley, Brattan, Claggett, Davis, Denson, Earle, Fields, Getty, Knight, Longwell, Mudd, McCulloh, Phelps, Stevens, Steiner, Spencer, Tuck—20.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Stevens presented the petition of eleven hundred and fifty merchants and citizens of Baltimore, praying the passage of the bill known as "The Barbers' Bill."

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. Davis presented the petition of eight hundred and thirty-six memorialists in favor of the passage of the House bill, known as "Wages Attachment Bill."

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. Stevens presented the petition of one hundred and fifty colored barbers of Baltimore, praying the passage of the "Barbers' bill."

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. McCulloh presented the petitions of Stephen Fuller and twenty-two other citizens, for the passage of a bill for the formation of a new county of the adjacent parts of Allegany and Garrett counties.

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The petition of John Wilhelm and nincty-four other citizens, for the passage of a bill for the formation of a new county of the adjacent parts of Allegany and Garrett counties.

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The petition of James P. Kight and twenty-one other citi-